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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT Application of: )  
Shizuo SUMIDA et al. ) Box MISSING PARTS  
Serial No. 09/551,867 )  
Filed: April 18, 2000 )  
For: NON-LINEAR CHARACTERISTIC )  
REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND )  
NON-LINEAR CHARACTERISTIC )  
REPRODUCING PROGRAM )  
STORAGE MEDIUM ) Date: August 23, 2000

### **RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box Missing Parts  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated June 23, 2000, submitted herewith are the following documents for filing in the above-referenced application:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted
2. Declaration & Power of Attorney

3. Verified English Translation of the Specification and Drawings
4. Supplement to Prior Information Disclosure Statement
5. Statutory Basic Filing Fee and Surcharge, calculated as follows:

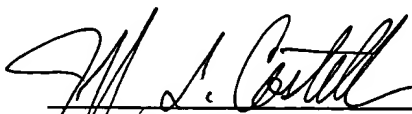
For:	No. Filed		No. Extra	Rate Sml/Lg. Entity	Fee
Basic Fee				\$760	\$ 760.00
Total Claims	37	-20	17	x \$18	\$ 306.00
Independent Claims	10	-3	7	x \$78	\$ 546.00
First presentation of multiple dependent claims				\$260	\$ -0-
Surcharge				\$130	\$ 130.00
TOTAL					\$ 1742.00

6. A check in the amount of \$1742.00 is attached to cover the basic filing fee and surcharge.

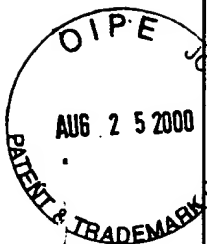
All formal requirements now having been met, it is requested that the Official Filing Receipt be issued.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION****FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)*****Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English.
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 950.**

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***A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.***

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